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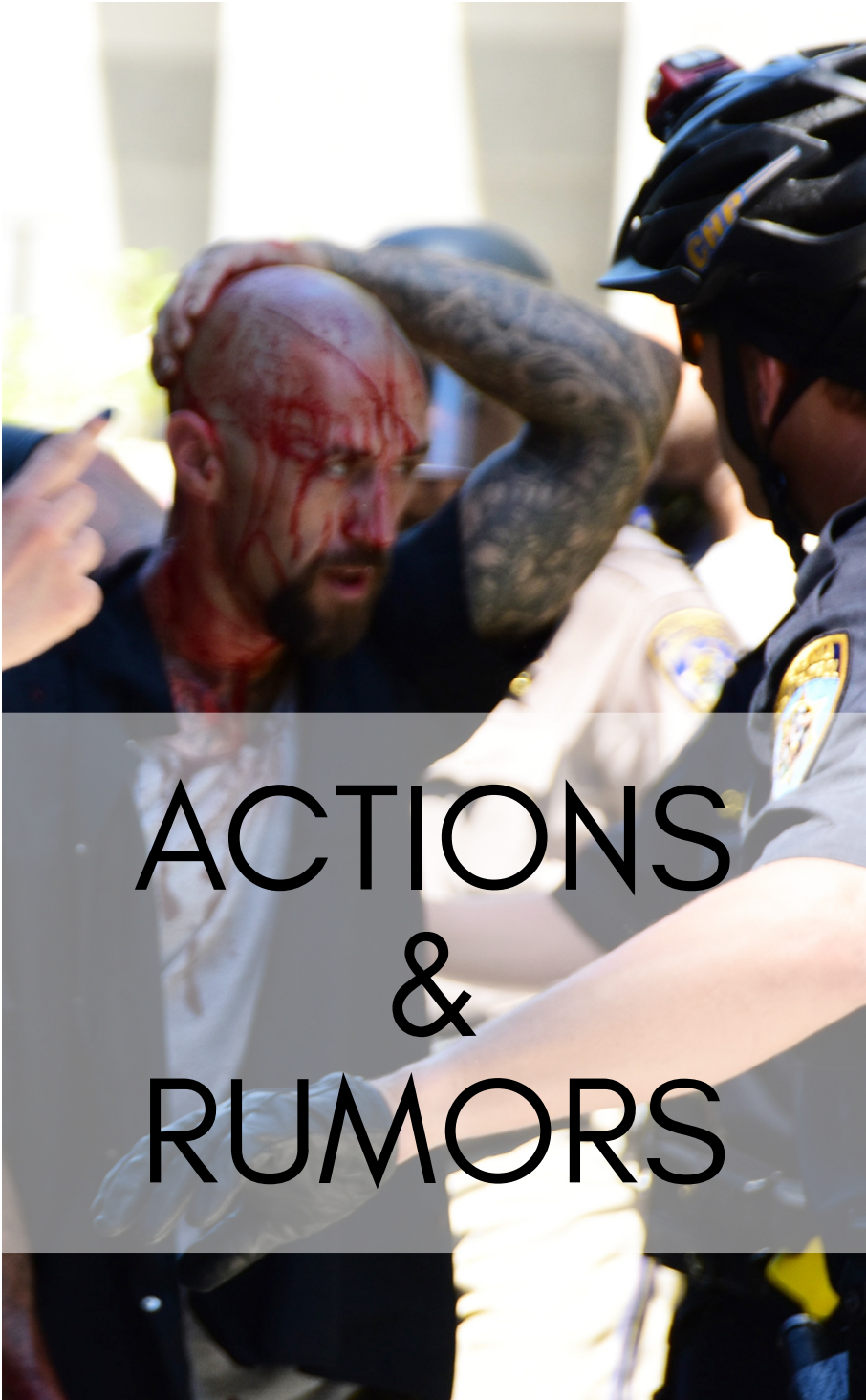
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A photograph showing a man with a bloody head being restrained by police officers. The man has a beard and is wearing a dark shirt. He has a large amount of blood on his forehead and temple, with some blood dripping down his face. He is being held back by two police officers. One officer is wearing a black helmet and a dark uniform, while the other is wearing a light-colored uniform. The background is blurred, showing what appears to be an outdoor setting with some buildings.

ACTIONS & RUMORS

THE KLAN TAKES A BEATING IN ANAHEIM, CA

a crowd of anti-racists confronts the KKK

A chapter of the Ku Klux Klan announced its intention to rally in Anaheim on February 27th. The rally was intended to take place at 1:30 PM in Pearson Park. By 11 AM, several dozen protestors had already shown up to confront the Klan.

About one hour later, several men in black garb bearing Klan insignia exited an SUV near the edge of the park. Moments after the Klansmen stepped out, a fight erupted.

The Grand Dragon of the KKK was seen receiving a beating from protestors who managed to knock him to the ground.

Other members of the group pulled out weapons – three of the people confronting the Klan were, unfortunately, wounded. One was attacked with the pointed end of a flagpole, and two others were stabbed with knives.

The police quickly arrived to defend the Klan and arrest a number of protestors. Several Klansmen were also arrested, although predictably released immediately afterward on the basis that their role in the fight had been purely “self-defense”.

Cops, as always, remain the strongest defenders of white supremacy in the United States, and the groups who incite racial hatred and genocide find safety in the arms of the law.

Nonetheless, the Klan rally never materialized as their miniscule group of supporters were immediately shut down by people defending their city from organized racists. White supremacists aren't entitled to a platform to spread and popularize their beliefs – and thanks to the people who confronted them, they weren't granted one.

NAZIS CHASED OUT OF SACRAMENTO, CA

fascist rally gets thrown out of town

The white nationalists of the Traditionalist Worker Party had scheduled a noon rally in Sacramento on June 26th of 2016. Their stated intent included the desire to assist supporters of Republican presidential nominee and fascist idol Donald Trump – another instance of the mainstream Right finding willing allies among avowed white supremacists.

Hundreds showed up to counter the small demonstration of a couple dozen neo-Nazis. Things popped off early with anti-racists confronting a news crew who refused to stop filming them. Although it's impossible to get rid of every camera near an action, there are some obvious benefits to chasing off journalists who have no regard for the danger and legal repercussions their filming could create.

A stick-wielding Nazi who approached the crowd was welcomed with a shower of rocks and bottles before being punched in the face, and had to be rescued by police to escape the confrontation.

In the chaotic running battle that ensued, members of the Nazi rally were seeking out black participants of the anti-racist crowd to attack them with knives. Six anti-racists were injured, two critically. On the other side, a Nazi took a knife wound to an artery, and other members of the rally were beaten during fights with anti-racists.

The injuries suffered by anti-racists are an unfortunate warning that white supremacists are armed and willing to take whatever opportunity they can to attack or kill the targets of their hatred. Those going into confrontations with neo-Nazis should use caution and be prepared for the possibility of having a weapon drawn on them.

No arrests were made by the police and the Traditionalist Workers' rally was destroyed before it even began. The injured anti-racists have all been released from hospitalization, though some are still recovering – you can support them at rally.org/June26th.

REPORTBACK FROM 2ND ANNUAL TORCH ANTI-FASCIST CONFERENCE

via Philly Antifa

Our 2nd annual conference was a huge success. Delegates were sent for the private plenary from Antifa Philadelphia, South Side Chicago Anti-Racist Action, Los Angeles People Against Racist Terror (PART)/A.R.A.-L.A., NYC Antifa (who are not TORCH members but were vouched in as observers), Rocky Mountain Antifa and the Antifa International Collective, based out of Quebec (also non-members). Antifa International traveled down to make connections between TORCH and Canadian Antifa, as well as to discuss their International Anti-Fascist Defense fund, which TORCH has endorsed and many of its members will be participating in.

Once the public section started we also met up with members of Asheville Anti-Racists, New Jersey Antifa, independent Anti-Fascists from all over the region, and even a pair of Dutch Antifa who happened to be in the city for holiday. Attendees were treated to a panel discussion and Q&A about Militant Anti-Fascists role in the Black Lives Matter movement, a video of which should be posted online shortly. Afterwards they saw a Russian documentary just recently translated to English "Ivan, in memory of our friend..." about the life and death of Russian Anti-Fascist Ivan Khutorskoi. They also got a sneak peek of the up-coming documentary about the Anti-Fascist movement in the U.S. entitled "No Fascist USA".

The conference show/after party featured some of the best bands playing in Philly right now and one visiting guest. Special thanks to Soul Glo, Fuck S.S., Autocracy East, Christopher Walking, Novatore and Leisure Muffin for playing. In addition to the acts we would like to thank The Rotunda for hosting, our panelists for taking the time, Black Orchid foods for letting use use their stuff, and Scranton IWW for providing security during our plenary so that all network members could participate.

It was a privilege to host the TORCH Conference and we thank everyone who attended, especially those who travelled from far away. We are already psyched for next one.

MINNESOTA UNITES AGAINST WHITE SUPREMACY

via Unicorn Riot

To counter-protest a permitted confederate flag rally, a Facebook event titled Unity Against White Supremacy & the Confederate Flag, and organized by the IWW GDC (Industrial Workers of the World | General Defense Committee), drew the RSVP of over 400 people.

On the early morning of Saturday, September 5th, 2015, the counter-protest marched to the capitol from a location close to the site of Marcus Golden's death by the bullets of St. Paul police officers.

Before the march took off to the capitol, a speaker announced that the confederate flag rally had been cancelled and that the action was victorious in not allowing space for racists.

While reaching the Christopher Columbus statue on capitol grounds, the crowd chanted of "tear it down", referring to the statue, which is a representation of white supremacy to many of the participants.

Speakers ranging from Black Lives Matter organizers to Native Lives Matter to IWW and others spoke about the importance of collectively combating racism, while a confederate flag was torn apart and burned.

RUMORS

whispers and hearsay from across the country

BERWYN, IL

From an email:

"On July 29th, 2015, Michael "Iron Balls" McArthur, a self proclaimed National Socialist from Berwyn, IL, was greeted with a face full of raunchy antifa piss in front of his apartment (3137 Oak Park Ave #107). He has been let go from his job doing tarot card readings at Cigars and Stripes, and spends his time at the YMCA off Oak Park or the Berwyn Public Library. Fuck nazis!"

CHICAGO, IL

The Ukraina Deli in West Town supposedly got their windows smashed the fuck out for being proud supporters of the Ukrainian fascist group, Svoboda. The deli was last seen with their windows boarded up and closed for the day.

After being socially engineered on the white supremacist forum Stormfront.org, Chicago antifascists started a campaign to get white supremacist Christopher Brands fired from his job at Bill Walsh Ford. The campaign consisted of a well-written dox, several phone calls, and online reviews. After a few days of pressure it was confirmed that Chris was fired from his sales management position.

Earlier this March, a Donald Trump rally that attracted thousands to the University of Illinois at Chicago was abruptly canceled amid his campaign's security fears, sparking shouting and scuffling between the candidate's fans and anti-Trump protesters.

Chicago police said two officers were hurt, including one who was struck on the head with a bottle. At least two other people were taken to a hospital with minor injuries, according to news reports. Five people were arrested.

SCHAUMBURG, IL

According to the Facebook of white supremacist and avid Trump supporter Will Roach, shortly after being put on blast via the internet, he received at least one attack on his property. Roach was outed as a Lyft and Uber driver, and it is unclear at this time if he is still employed by them.

PHILADELPHIA, PA

"On Wednesday, March 30th a group of Antifa from Philly set about sending a message to the Neo-Fascist bands of the Operation Equinox tour, as well as tour promoters from the right wing, racist blog Heathen Harvest, that they are not welcome in our city. Antifa identified the touring van being used by one or more of the bands then waited for the headliner to begin to strike. Coincidentally, some neighbor must have called in a noise complaint and Philly PD showed up just as we were about to go. We considered walking away completely, but strong hearts prevailed and we took the few moments when the police were inside the venue to make our move.

With Philly PD a half a block down the road, cruiser parked right out front, we set about smashing the front and back windshields and two side windows, slashed all four tires, and tagged the van in big red letters with "Fascist Scum" despite the noise and 2 neighborhood hipster douches cop-calling. The Antifa dispersed into the night and took no arrests. The bands and promoters have attempted to bury this story for fear that it will (rightly) discourage other venues and bands from associating with them. Already, one antifa overheard a person who lived at the venue (but was not involved in booking the show) discussing it with a friend at a more recent show. Their opinion was... "Hey, if they're fascists, they deserve what they got." We couldn't agree more.

We will not remain silent in the face of Fascist incursion in our city. Be it in the form of bonehead gangs or Boyd Rice-worshipping Death in June clones blurring the line between Neo-Folk and Neo-Fascist milieus. We are not moved by mealy-mouthed defenses about artistic expression and free speech. With a near-fascist very-much racist heading towards the general election, the time for tolerating ironic

flirtation with Fascist imagery and politics has passed. Consider what we did to your van our performance art; our freedom of speech in response to your free expression. We have not forgotten the train cars and camps, nor the bad old days when punk and hardcore scenes had to fight tooth and nail to force Nazi invaders into retreat. We won't see the same thing happen in Neo-Folk or any other subcultures. Never Again. Not without a fight."

STONE MOUNTAIN, GA

Hundreds of antifascists gathered to confront the Klan in Stone Mountain, GA. At the end of the day, only a dozen or so Klan members showed and were airlifted out for their own safety. During the protest, the police managed to keep the racists protected but not without a fight. Several clashes occurred. During the confrontations, nine protestors were arrested, many rocks were thrown, barricades were burned, several protestors were de-arrested and one police officer was pepper sprayed in the face. After the protest dispersed, a flag-carrying white supremacist left the parking lot yelling racial slurs which led to his car being attacked and his flag being stolen. In a panic he attempted to flee the scene resulting in him getting into a car accident. Sucks to suck.

PORTLAND, OR

Rose City Antifa and local allies had been monitoring Augustus Invictus' speaking tour closely and word spread immediately that people should mobilize to northeast Portland and shut the meet & greet down.

The Radio Room, unaware of Invictus' intent to host a fascist gathering in their establishment, came under immediate pressure from anti-racists calling in to inform them of the gathering. Rarely does a phone jam produce such quick results, and we commend the bartenders on duty at the Radio Room who immediately kicked Invictus out, refusing to associate the establishment with fascist organizing.

With his original plans thwarted, Invictus and the small party who actually showed up to his event immediately moved next door to the

Bye and Bye bar. (Unfortunately, due to some miscommunication, antifascists did not get to say “hello” to Invictus at this point.) While Invictus and his followers cowered inside the Bye and Bye, antifascists converged on the area in increasing numbers in response to the public call out.

Unlike the Radio Room, the Bye and Bye refused to evict the fascist group once the business was informed of who Invictus was and of what his group was doing. Instead, the Bye and Bye bouncers went so far as to act as bodyguards for Augustus Invictus and his companions. When the meeting disbanded, however, contact was made between antifascists and part of Invictus’ crowd. We should note that despite all the far-right rhetoric of courage and loyalty, one of the event attendees drove away in his car, leaving his erstwhile companion to face the music alone. Despite Invictus’ macho rhetoric, he called for police protection.

In the aftermath, Invictus was left hopping mad.





CHICAGO TRUMP EVENT SHUT DOWN BY OPPOSITION

students and angry locals confront stadium of right-wingers

Coordinated protests and spontaneous actions of people against Trump managed to shut down a planned speaking event by the aspiring presidential candidate. The March 11 event at UIC Pavilion had gathered a crowd of Trump supporters who were sorely disappointed when Trump himself decided to cancel his appearance – likely out of fear for his own safety.

After the cancellation was announced, anti-Trump demonstrators inside and outside the Pavilion erupted with cheers. The Trump supporters, on the other hand, were outraged by the event being canceled due to the threat of violence. Somehow the irony escaped them.

In response, the crowd of Trump supporters confirmed their true colors by shouting racist epithets (“Runaway slaves!” at black demonstrators, and “Terrorist!” at a student perceived as Middle Eastern), throwing up Nazi salutes, and advancing on the demonstrators in the arena.

A number of the demonstrators refused to back down from a confrontation with unabashed racists. Fights broke out across the Pavilion and spilled out onto the street. The police, predictably, had their sights on the demonstrators and violently removed several from the venue, as well as detaining others.

Trump attempted to cover for his retreat by saying that the Chicago Police Department had advised him to cancel the event, but the Department said it had over 300 officers on hand and hadn't encouraged Trump to cancel in any way.

Despite the police presence, only 5 people were arrested, one being a CBS News reporter. Two cops were injured, two other people were hospitalized with minor injuries, and the budding nationalists of Trump's campaign were shown what kind of welcome they can expect from Chicago.

FIVE CHARGED IN RACIALLY-MOTIVATED STABBING IN CANARYVILLE

via *Daily Kos*

Kristina Fox, a 30-year-old administrative assistant, alongside her younger brother, was beaten and stabbed repeatedly in her back and face while being called "nigger" repeatedly by a racist mob of white men and women in Taylor-Lauridsen Park in Canaryville. Fox told her horrific story on Facebook from the hospital:

On the morning of Saturday, May 30, 2015, my little brother, Marcus Fox, my daughter's father, Darrius Walton, and myself were sitting in Taylor Lauridsen Park conversing with 3 Caucasian people we had just met (Courtney, Kevin, and Jodie). Everyone was having a nice time.

Approximately 7-9 more Caucasian people arrived in the park. My little brother being the social butterfly he is introduced himself and began chatting with the new arrivals. After about 30 minutes, one of the guys out of the group we initially met and another from the group that arrived later got into a verbal altercation with each other. My little brother tried to calm things down but this soon escalated as everyone began jumping on him. It was at this point things turned for the worse as he and I fought this massive group of Caucasians consisting of both men and women.

They were throwing glass bottles, crutches, bricks, and anything else they could find at us. As we continued to fight through this crowd of assailants to get away, more Caucasians came from out of nowhere and joined in brutally attacking us delivering closed fist blows and kicks to our bodies and head. We began the fight of our lives.

This MOB of around 20 Caucasians beat us until we were unable to move and left us laying in the park. My brother & I sustained multiple injuries. I was stabbed eleven times, eight times in the

back & right shoulder, twice in the face & once in the head (which the knife was left lodged by one of the perpetrators).

My brother was stabbed nine times, along his back, right side with one of the wounds causing him to have a punctured lung. NO ARRESTS have been made and the only publicity this received was an irresponsibly written 97 word article in the Chicago Sun-Times riddled with incorrect information.

If the roles were reversed and had this been a mob of African Americans attacking two Caucasians this would have garnered immediate attention and been plastered EVERYWHERE. We have contacted news stations & have not heard back from anyone. This further proves that America believes - BLACK LIVES DON'T MATTER.

Five people have now been charged with attempted murder and other offenses. Via ABC 7 Chicago:

Kevin Hoynes, 21; David Rice, 21; Courtney Vega, 19; and Joya Urbikas, 18, were each charged with two counts of aggravated battery to do bodily harm, two counts of aggravated battery with a deadly weapon, two counts of attempted first-degree murder and one count of mob action, according to Chicago police. All of the charges are felonies.

The fifth person involved, Robert McEvoy, 22, was charged later after being found in Haines City, Florida.

WHITE SUPREMACISTS ARRESTED AFTER ORDERING HIT

via Ink Free News

Police in Warsaw, Indiana charged several subjects involved in a white supremacist hit on a local individual.

The investigation began on May 25, 2015, when Warsaw Police narcotics officers, along with the Indiana State Police, acted on a tip of a methamphetamine lab in Warsaw. During the meth lab investigation, officers found that a local gang member had ordered an “SOS” (Shoot/Smash on Sight) hit. The hit was confirmed through various sources and the individuals involved were identified.

On Thursday, June 11, Warsaw Police located, Ryan Kauffman, who was the alleged hitman, and took him into custody. Kauffman, 33 years old, of Warsaw, had a firearm in his possession along with methamphetamine.

Kauffman was arrested and transported to the Kosciusko County Jail where he is being held on the following felony charges: conspiracy to commit felony aggravated battery with a deadly weapon, criminal gang activity, possession of a firearm by a serious violent felon and possession of methamphetamine. He is being held on a \$500,000 bond with a parole hold.

Mark Holbrook, 37 years old, of Warsaw, is being held on charges of conspiracy to commit felony aggravated battery with a deadly weapon, criminal gang activity and dealing Methamphetamine. He is being held in the Kosciusko County Jail on a \$500,000 bond with a parole hold.

Stacy Sult, 39 years old, of Bourbon, is being held on charges of conspiracy to commit felony aggravated battery with a deadly weapon and criminal gang activity. She is being held in the Kosciusko County Jail on a \$500,000 bond.

WHITE SUPREMACIST SHOT IN SOUTH BEND, IN

via South Bend Tribune

A 28-year-old man was shot Thursday night on Fassnacht Avenue after a confrontation that, according to several witnesses, started after the man displayed a Confederate flag and used racial slurs outside a neighborhood convenience store.

Capt. Phil Trent, a South Bend police spokesman, said the gunfire stemmed from a "verbal confrontation" between the 28-year-old man and a group that included three young men, but investigators Friday had only just begun to sort through evidence and witness accounts.

Police first responded about 6:30 p.m. Thursday to the 1400 block of Fassnacht Avenue after dispatchers received an alert from ShotSpotter gunfire sensors. When officers arrived, they found the 28-year-old man near Fassnacht and Birdsell Street, bloodied from his wounds but conscious and standing.

The man told police he was in his white Ford Explorer when he got into the dispute with the three young men, who were on foot. At one point, one of the young men drew a pistol and fired several shots at the Explorer, hitting the 28-year-old man in the upper back and one cheek, Trent said.

Jessie Chambers, a longtime worker at the J & J convenience store on Fassnacht, said he witnessed the incident.

Chambers said the 28-year-old man, who is white, was driving west on Fassnacht when he stopped his vehicle, with a Confederate battle flag attached, in front of the store and started yelling racial slurs at a group of black people standing outside. At one point, as people shouted at him to leave, the man pulled out a long knife or machete in a black case, Chambers said.

The 28-year-old man eventually started to pull away in his Explorer, then reversed back toward the crowd, and a young man fired several shots from

a handgun, Chambers said. A few moments later, the Explorer stopped on the west side of Birdsell Street, facing south, where the 28-year-old man exited the vehicle, Chambers said.

That's where police found the man and the vehicle, which was impounded as evidence, Trent said, adding that detectives were awaiting a search warrant Friday to look for evidence inside.

Several other witnesses interviewed by the Tribune relayed the same details about the confrontation as Chambers.

Trent acknowledged that bystanders at the scene made similar statements to police about the 28-year-old man displaying a Confederate flag and used racial slurs, but he added that it was unclear which, if any, of those bystanders were eyewitnesses.

JUVENILE SUSPECT IDENTIFIED IN BEATING OF SIKH MAN

via Chicago Tribune:

Police have identified a suspect, but no charges have been filed as of early Thursday afternoon in a case Darien police are investigating as a hate crime against a Sikh-American man.

The incident occurred about 5:15 p.m. Tuesday, police officials said.

The Sikh Coalition reported that Inderjit Singh Mukker, a 53-year-old Darien resident, said he was driving to a grocery store on South Cass Avenue when another driver began yelling comments to him, such as "Terrorist, go back to your country, Bin Laden." The driver reportedly kept cutting him off.

According to the coalition, Mukker pulled over near 69th and Cass to let the other vehicle pass, but the driver got out and approached his vehicle. He then allegedly reached in and repeatedly punched Mukker in the face. The coalition said Mukker, 53, lost consciousness, was bleeding and suffered a fractured cheekbone. He was taken to the hospital, where he received six stitches, the coalition reported.

The police have identified a 17-year-old suspect from a description the victim provided of the offender and the license plate of the vehicle he was driving, Darien Police Chief Ernest Brown said.

Police officers "briefly" questioned the suspect, Brown said. Sometime after their initial questioning, the suspect was hospitalized, Brown said. The suspect was in the hospital Thursday morning, though Brown would not discuss the reasons he is in the hospital.

"There will certainly be charges filed" once the juvenile is released from the hospital, Brown said. The DuPage County State's Attorney Office's juvenile division is reviewing the case to determine what the appropriate charges should be.

Mukker released a statement through the coalition saying, "no American

should be afraid to practice their faith in our country ... Without this being fully investigated as a hate crime, we risk ignoring the horrific pattern of intolerance, abuse and violence that Sikhs and other minority communities in this country continue to face.”

Brown said he is responsible for making sure “everyone gets the best and most professional police service possible. And if one person feels they were not treated fairly, that becomes a problem.”

No one should feel victimized, Brown said.

“It’s essential we nip it in the bud, so that any group, no matter what their origin, does not feel it’s open season on them.”

Mukker’s lawyer, Harsimran Kaur, said the Sikh Coalition is pressing for hate crime charges against the suspect.

“We want the attacker to understand that when he attacked Mr. Mukker, it was an attack against the entire community and the entire community grieves and feels afraid,” Kaur said.

Kaur said that, as one the core tenets of their faith, Sikhs stand up for justice and for those who are in need or oppressed. In fact, the turbans worn by Sikh men symbolize this tenet.

“Ironically wearing a turban has become a lightning rod but it signifies the exact opposite,” Kaur said. “We hope that when people see a Sikh or meet a Sikh, they understand the purpose of maintaining the Sikh articles of faith is out of love for humanity.”

The Chicago office of the Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR-Chicago) and several other national civil rights organizations released a statement Thursday joining The Sikh Coalition in calling for a full hate crime investigation and charges.

"WHITE STUDENT UNION" FORMED AT UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS

via The Independent:

Students at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign have sparked anger after reportedly forming a white student union to counter what they describe as "terrorism" from black students.

Amid ongoing racial tensions across US and Canadian campuses, a Facebook page entitled 'Illini White Student Union' (IWSU) surfaced - saying it sought to "organise against the terrorism we have been facing from Black Lives Matter activists on campus."

Standing with Her (SWH) - a movement at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (UIUC), which says it stands with black women to "keep racist colleges and universities accountable" - wrote an open letter to administrators in the aftermath of a national day of staff and student action called the Student BlackOut.

It urged staff to take action over the apparent formation of the IWSU.

This week's national day of action saw thousands of faculty members and students from across both countries stand in solidarity with students of colour, particularly the black students of the University of Missouri (Mizzou), which has recently been the focal point of race rows that saw its president, Tim Wolfe, resign.

But according to the open letter, the IWSU told its members: "Feel free to send in pictures you take of any black protestors on the quad so we know who anti-whites are."

SWH also expressed concern after, it said, the IWSU posted the details of a black female student who spoke out against their Facebook page.

Citing quotes from university emails - which acknowledge how "black students at UIUC are at risk" - SWH urged staff to partner with them in order to "address [the] anti-black terror now occurring on campus."

The IWSU page was removed from Facebook after it was brought to the attention of the university's administrators. Some reports, however, have suggested that the page has not been completely removed and is, instead, being moderated by Facebook.

According to the university's student newspaper, The Daily Illini, vice-chancellor of student affairs, Rene Romano issued a statement describing how administrators have notified Facebook of the page, asking for its removal because it "violates the company's own standards."

Ms Romano said: "We also are reaching out directly to those responsible for the postings, notifying them that the usage of our name is in violation of our trademark rights and ordering them to cease and desist."

Despite denouncing the content on the Facebook page, The Daily Illini reported that campus spokeswoman Robin Kaler cited "the creator's first amendment rights" and said that, if the creator of the page is a UIUC student, the university "will not take any actions against them."

As of May 2016, the IWSU page has apparently changed its name to "Illinois White Student Union" to avoid legal repercussions from the University of Illinois.

It currently posts stories from right-wing news sources and provides racist commentary describing Black Lives Matter, and black people in general, as criminals and terrorists. The page frequently posts crime stories involving black suspects as an incitement for white readers to unite against black people.

It's unclear whether the "White Student Union" exists outside of its presence as a Facebook page.

SWASTIKAS PAINTED ON RIVERSIDE HOME ON CHRISTMAS DAY

via the Chicago Sun-Times:

Police are investigating after swastikas were painted on a brand-new home in west suburban Riverside on Christmas Day.

Officers were called to the home in the 300 block of Lionel Drive at 8:50 a.m. on Dec. 25, and found swastikas and Nazi symbols in purple spray paint on all 25 windows, according to a statement from Riverside police. The house was under construction and partially open.

No physical evidence was found at the scene and no neighbors saw the vandalism take place, police said. The swastikas were removed from the windows after being photographed.

Police believe the incident occurred after 11 p.m. on Dec. 24 because a neighbor said there was no paint on the home at that time.

The potential homeowners, who were in the process of purchasing the home from the builder, are of Indian descent and may have been targeted, police said.

WHITE SHOOTERS OF BLACK LIVES MATTER PROTEST “FASCINATED WITH THE CONFEDERACY”

armed racists went looking for trouble and got it - via Raw Story

A group of racist white men went looking for trouble at a Black Lives Matter protest in Minneapolis — and when they found it, they opened fire.

Police arrested three suspects in connection with the Monday night shootings that wounded five protesters, and social media posts reveal a fascination with guns, video games, the Confederacy and right-wing militia groups.

Authorities arrested 23-year-old Allen “Lance” Scarsella following a brief SWAT standoff Tuesday afternoon [11/24/2015] in Bloomington, and two other suspects, 21-year-old Nathan Gustavsson and 26-year-old Daniel Macey, later turned themselves in.

They have not been charged, but they remain jailed on probable cause for assault.

Police questioned a fourth person, a 32-year-old Hispanic man and aspiring model who goes by the name “Saiga Marine” online, but he was released after investigators determined he had not been at the protests at the time of the shootings.

Investigators are likely trying to determine whether the three men acted in self-defense when they turned and fired multiple gunshots at six protesters who were attempting to chase them away from the demonstrators’ encampment.

Demonstrators have been camped for days near the city’s Fourth Precinct to protest the fatal police shooting of 24-year-old Jamar Clark, who witnesses say was handcuffed when officers killed him.

Two witnesses reported that the shooting suspects argued with the protesters, who threw two punches at the men before they fled away from the encampment and then turned and opened fire.

Reisha Williams, communications chair of the Minneapolis NAACP, told CNN that she and other activists believed Minneapolis police were “behind” the shootings or at least stood back and allowed them to occur.

Other witnesses claimed that the gunmen wore the same ski masks as police officers in the bitter cold.

Video appears to show two of the suspects, who wore masks and identified themselves as “Saiga Marine” and “Black Powder Ranger,” driving to the protest Friday and using racist language as they promised to disrupt the protests.

“We are on our way, we’re going to knock this shit out,” said the driver, who identified himself as Saiga Marine and displays a handgun. “F*ck — and we’re going to see what these dindus are dinduing about.”

The word “dindu” is a racial slur derived from “dindu nuffin” — a pejorative term that originated on 4Chan’s /pol/ forum to complain about participants in the last year’s protests and riots.

Emails posted online appear to show the men planning their activities, and protesters complained for several days that masked white men wearing military-style clothing had been recording video and harassing demonstrators camped near the Fourth Precinct.

Gustavsson’s Facebook profile picture shows him wearing a Belgian army jacket and holding a rifle.

Scarsella’s Facebook photo shows a mole above his eyebrow that suggests he is the passenger who calls himself Black Powder Ranger in the video. Scarella’s cover photo shows “Bonnie Blue” Confederate flag, captioned, “This isn’t the somalian flag, (by the way).”

He lists among his “likes” several gun shops and pro-gun groups associated with the III Percent militia movement, as well as the OAF Nation military veterans militia group.

The fourth man’s Facebook page shows him carrying weapons and wearing military gear, and he describes his occupation as “Saving the Constitution,” reported the Star Tribune.

The newspaper reported that the man, whose name was not officially released, bears a striking resemblance to the driver who calls himself Saiga Marine.

He appears to be a well-known, although not particularly well-liked, on 4chan's /k/ weapons discussion forum — where he used the same name he called himself while driving to the protest.

“What an idiot,” one 4chan user wrote when news broke of his possible involvement in the shootings. “Play stupid games, win stupid prizes. Never should’ve trolled that protest so hard.”

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According to recent news sources, the accused shooters have appeared in court several times and have not yet entered pleas. Their hearings have been extended until June 2016. No trial has begun as of yet.

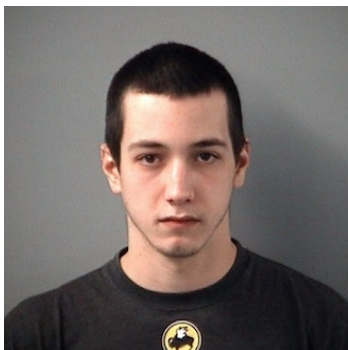


A photograph of a man with a goatee and sunglasses, wearing a white t-shirt, sitting in front of a large, rugged canyon. The text "LOCAL RACISTS" is overlaid in large, bold, black letters. The t-shirt has a graphic that says "SONIC YOUTH" and "I STILL BELIEVE IN THE POWER OF ROCK & ROLL".

LOCAL
RACISTS

AXEL SALEMI

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According to the Chicagoist, Axel Salemi of Crystal Lake, IL is currently in the McHenry County Correctional Facility for allegedly killing a kitten with his bare hands.

What they don't mention however is that Axel is a proud neo-Nazi. His Facebook profile features confederate flags, deaths head skulls, and is where you can find him saying racist quotes such as: "we fly the swastika! we fly it strong and true! we ain't never gonna take it down for the communist or jews!"

At the time of his arrest he was a server at a Buffalo Wild Wings. He may still be employed at the McHenry location (3343 Shoppers Dr. The Shops at Fox River McHenry, IL 60051-5405).

Via Chicagoist:

Police say Axel Salemi killed a 7-week-old kitten with his bare hands, squeezing it to death while he was "in an agitated state of mind," The Daily Herald reports. The alleged killing occurred at Salemi's home, which serves as a rescue shelter for kittens. Police were called to the scene Friday afternoon [11/13/2015] at 2:30 p.m. on the 100 block of Briarwood Circle.

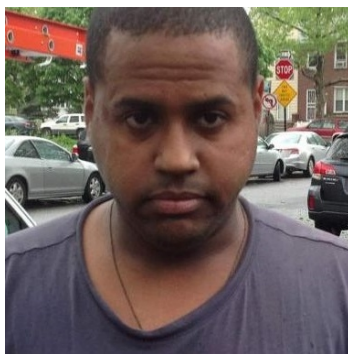
Court records dug up by the Tribune show he was charged with domestic battery and consumption of alcoholic liquor by a minor in March. A complaint alleged that Salemi punched a woman in the nose and mouth and grabbed her neck. He ended up pleading guilty to a lesser charge of disorderly conduct. He was placed on court supervision, which was supposed to end next June.

GABRIEL DIAZ

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Gabriel isn't known to reside in Chicagoland, but he's made attempts to network with anti-racist groups nationwide.

His brief time within anti-racist groups in New York was a front for his activities as a white nationalist; he was attempting to gather intelligence on anti-racist organizations to report back to his friends in the National Socialist Movement.

Gabriel felt assured that few people would suspect a black Dominican man from the Bronx might be a neo-Nazi, but he left some obvious trails – in 2014 he made it into the NYC local news for wearing a swastika armband while working as a cab driver. He wound up losing his job and, predictably, whined to the press about being persecuted for his beliefs.

Sometime after this event, he began associating with the National Socialist Movement and, under an alias, attempted to join One People's Project in order to spy on anti-racist activists. He participated in a handful of protests against white supremacist organizations before anti-racist groups exposed him. It wasn't difficult, considering the phone number he gave out was tied to his real name.

Although neo-Nazi organizations are overwhelmingly comprised of white members, they may rarely attract others via their far-right politics, nationalism, traditionalism, or masculism. Be aware of people like Gabriel who may exploit someone's trust in an attempt to have them targeted by white supremacists.

CHRISTOPHER BRANDS

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33 years old (as of 2015)

6'8" tall, 291 pounds



Christopher Brands, also known as "Big Show", is a neo-Nazi living in Spring Valley, Illinois. Chris maintains an account on Stormfront.org, the world's largest white supremacist forum, under the username "pureblood14". He made more than 100 posts within months of joining, each one accompanied by his signature, a quote from Adolf Hitler.

Some quotes from his account:

"The negroes can't mentally handle themselves, so it's up to their master to make sure they don't crap on the floor."

"How about calling for the end of the era of blacks being useless animals?"

"Perhaps we need to put the shock collars back on these animals and teach them a lesson."

"The negroes are subhuman. They have no souls."

In an exchange between "pureblood14" and another Stormfront user, pureblood14 confirms his email address as bigshow4440@gmail.com, which is attached to the name Christopher Brands and references his nickname.

Chris was previously employed as a manager at Bill Walsh Ford of Ottawa, IL, but no longer holds that position.

JACK LATHAM

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62 years old (as of 2015)



Jack Latham is a neo-Nazi living in Saint Jacobs, IL. Jack was a former special agent in the United States Army and between 1987-1995 he was a US customs criminal investigator. Jack first came to our attention via Stormfront.org, the world's largest white nationalist networking forum, where he uses the handle "soldierjack". He joined Stormfront in October of 2014 and has since posted 11 times. Most of his posts consist of him spouting anti-semitism.

Soldierjack's email address found via Stormfront ties directly to Jack Latham's facebook where similar anti-semitic rhetoric can be found. Soldierjack says on Stormfront that he is from Madison County, where Saint Jacob, IL is located. All information confirms that soldierjack is the Stormfront account of Jack Latham.

Some quotes from his Stormfront posts:

"I am one of the stupid SOBs who voted for this POS [Mark Kirk]. Of course I only found out about his Jewishness and faginess after the election."

"US media should take note, but they won't. Jew controlled media will never tell what is really happening unless it is in their own self-interest."

KEVIN M. WILK

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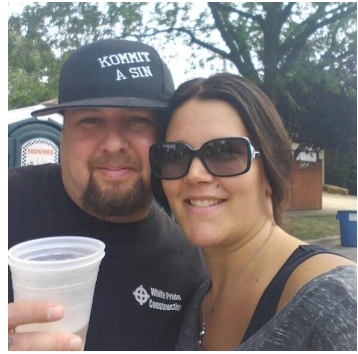
facebook.com/kevin.wilk.1

facebook.com/kevin.aryan.73

Born in 1976

May also be associated with:

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Kevin Wilk first came to our attention in early January 2016 when he threatened to show up with 300 white supremacists to counter protest a demonstration outside of Rahm Emanuel's house. This was done via Facebook from "Kevin Aryan", one of his two profiles.

Being antifascists with years of experience in Illinois, we knew this threat to be laughable. Not only was he unable to rally 300 neo-Nazis but he himself did not show.

Kevin M Wilk is a 40 year old white supremacist with alleged ties to the Aryan Brotherhood. It is possible he may have done time in Pontiac, but this is purely speculation. He is married to, and has children with, Anne Olejniczak- Balker. He is pictured wearing a White Pride Construction shirt. White Pride Construction was a neo-Nazi construction company based in Baton Rouge, Louisiana run by the now-deceased Robert Moore. Even though Kevin Wilk has thus far been nothing more than an internet warrior no-show, keep an eye out for this scumbag.



MICHAEL McARTHUR

AKA "Iron Balls"

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Born 10/14/1955



Michael "Iron Balls" McArthur is a 59 year old neo-Nazi living in Berwyn, IL. He is originally from Copalis Beach, WA. He has posted a number of racist rants on Youtube. In one of them, he calls himself a National Socialist while standing in front of a swastika flag, which we assume is located in his apartment.

He calls himself "Iron Balls" because he lets girls kick him their hardest in his balls, and has been on the Steve Gadlin's Star Makers "performing" this wonderful routine. He also does Tarot Card readings and was at one point doing them at Cigars and Stripes on Ogden Ave. in Berwyn. We are unsure as to why, but he is no longer able to do his Tarot card readings there. Because of this, we are also unsure of how Michael is making his money, although we do know that he is trying to start a haunted cemetery tour.

According to an internet posting, Michael McArthur once forced a 17 year old into some unwanted sexual situations. According to the survivor of his abuse, he has continued to harass her via email.

For these reasons, we were happy to hear that he allegedly got his face soaked in piss by some antifascists.

From an email:

"On July 29th, 2015, Michael "Iron balls" McArthur, a self proclaimed National Socialist from Berwyn, IL was greeted with a face full of raunchy antifa piss in front of his apartment. (3137 Oak Park Ave apt# 107) He has been let go from his Tarot Card reading at Cigars and Stripes and spends his time at the YMCA off Oak Park or the Berwyn Public Library. Fuck nazis!"

MATT FORNEY

Rogers Park area

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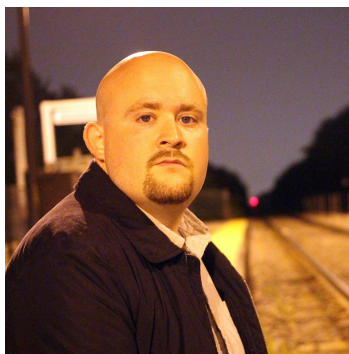
therealmattforney@gmail.com

Born in June 1988

May also be associated with:

501 Boyden St, Syracuse, NY (owned by family members)

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Matthew Forney is a vehemently sexist Mens Rights Activists (MRA) living in Chicago. Aside from his extremely traditionalist views on gender roles expressed in many of his publications, Matt is also a racist. He has made a hobby of surveilling and harassing people organizing against police brutality. He moved here from New York and seems to make a living via the internet.

He is most well-known for his writing on notorious right-wing men's website Return of Kings, where he's posted a wanted ad for subservient white women, essays against female self-esteem, and his belief in the supposed savagery of non-white people.

He also authored an article entitled "How to Rape Women and Get Away With It", which he later insisted was satirical. Although the article was removed, he's also written "How to Beat Your Girlfriend/Wife and Get Away With It", which remains on the Return of Kings website.

Anyone with information on the whereabouts and activities of Matt Forney is encouraged to contact South Side Chicago ARA.

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It has come to our attention that Bill J Malan of Malan Law Office is a white supremacist.

Bill ran for Illinois Attorney General in 2010 and has been an attorney at Malan Law for 8 1/2 years. According to their website, Bill "represents individuals and small businesses in general civil matters, including employment, contract and tort claims." It also says that he was admitted to the Illinois Bar in 2002.

What the website doesn't state is the fact that Bill is a believer in, and a promoter of, the idea that white people are genetically superior to other races – a belief that is core to white supremacist ideology. Bill often emails associates with "facts" supposedly proving this theory. Documents such as "SAT scores by race and income" and "2000 Rushton race evolution summary table". Email screenshots show Bill recommending the white nationalist website amren.com and regurgitating white supremacist rhetoric such as; "Europeans are an endangered subspecies, and it would be tragic for the planet to lose the people that created such great things".

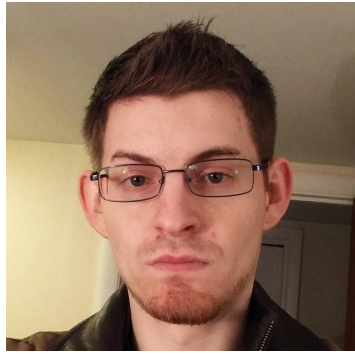
WILL ROACH

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Works as a Lyft and Uber driver

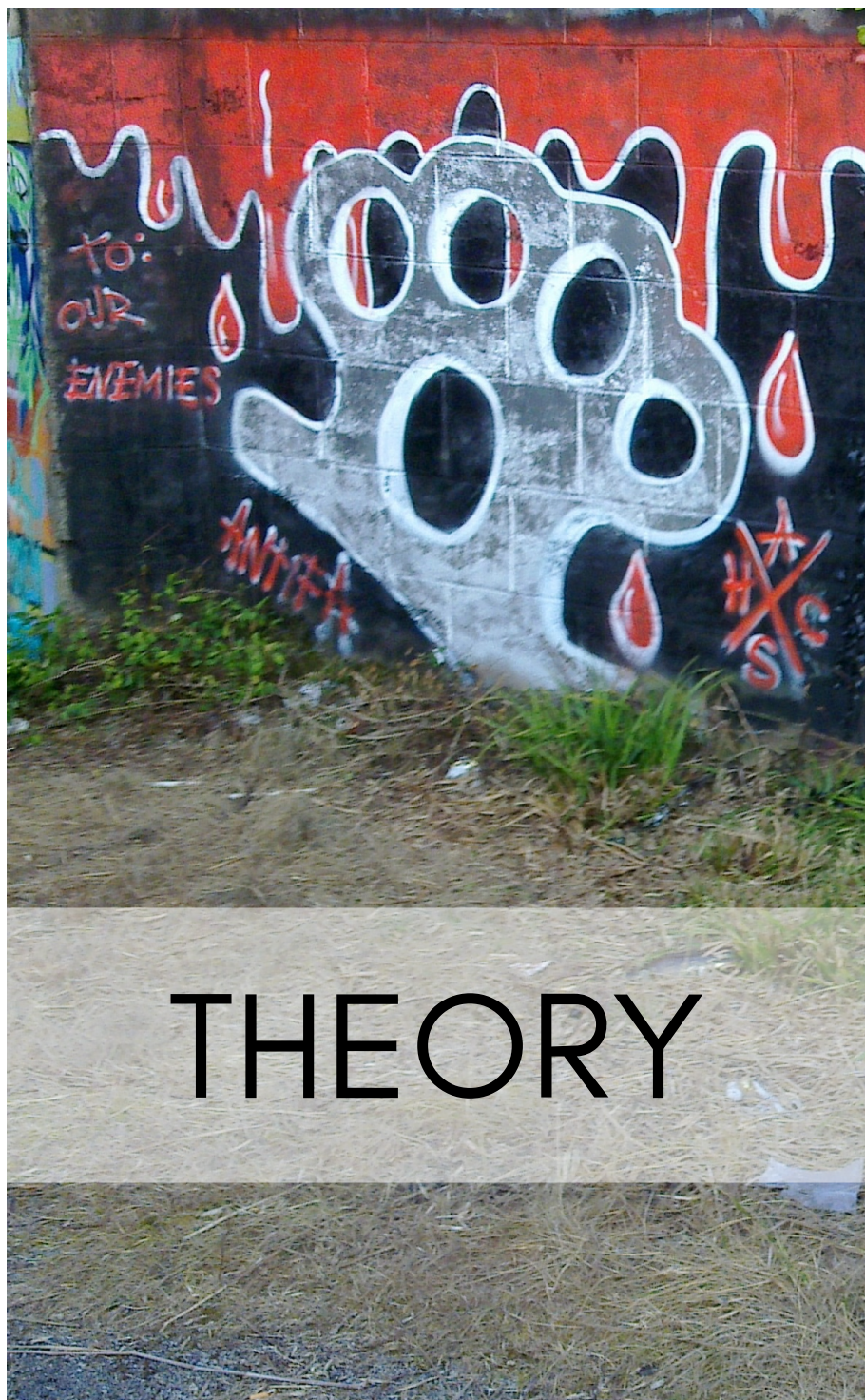


It has been brought to our attention that Lyft, the mobile application based peer-to-peer ride sharing company, employs a white nationalist by the name of Will Roach. Will is from Schaumburg and is apparently known to strike up some controversial conversations in regards to race.

Will's Facebook displays his interest in the National Socialist Vanguard and is filled with hate speech such as: "I miss the old days when we could have hung them all right then and there. Carved nigger into the sticks we mark their graves with. Here lies nigger died a nigger for being a nigger."

Several of his racist tirades are publicly viewable on his Facebook profile and some have been screenshotted and posted to the South Side Chicago ARA website.





JACK DONOVAN ON MEN: A MASCULINE TRIBALISM FOR THE FAR RIGHT

via Matthew N. Lyons - Three Way Fight

All far rightists promote male dominance, but the kinds of male dominance they promote differ enormously. The Christian right's revolutionary wing — the folks who don't just want to ban abortion, same-sex marriage, and teaching evolution, but replace the U.S. government with a full-blown theocracy — advocates "biblical patriarchy," a doctrine that urges men to keep close control over everything their wives and children do, from the books they read to the time they go to bed. In this schema, for women to make decisions or speak for themselves isn't just a bad idea, it's a revolt against God.

Jack Donovan's version of male supremacy is radically different from that. He's a former Satanist, not a Christian, and he doesn't anchor his ideas in the Bible, but rather in evolutionary psychology — an approach that's probably meaningless, if not satanic, to Adam and Eve creationists. He doesn't focus on the family, but on championing a kind of male comradeship free of female constraints. This comradeship allows room for sexual relations between men, and Donovan is himself openly homosexual, which would of course be taboo in the Christian right. And while even the most hard-core biblical patriarchs aim to recruit women as well as men (claiming their path offers women security and respect, not to mention salvation through Jesus), Donovan doesn't write for women at all. His audience, his community, his hope for the future, is entirely male.

Over the past eight years, Jack Donovan has published a stream of articles and several books about men and masculinity. His best-known work is the self-published *The Way of Men* (2012 - hereafter referred to as *Way* for short), which reportedly sold an impressive ten thousand copies in its first two years. His ideas are important, in part, because they appeal to different sectors of the right, including members of the "manosphere," white nationalists, right-wing anarchists, and (with a few modifications) even some Christian rightists.

Gang Masculinity

“The Way of Men,” Donovan argues, “is the way of the gang.” “For most of their time on this planet, men have organized in small survival bands, set against a hostile environment, competing for women and resources with other bands of men” (Way, p. 3). These gangs, he claims, have provided the security that makes all human culture and civilization possible. They are also the social framework that men need to realize their true selves. Donovan’s gangs foster and depend on the “tactical virtues” of Strength, Courage, Mastery, and Honor, which together form his definition of masculinity. Gang life centers on fighting, hierarchy, and drawing the perimeter against outsiders (“separating us from them”). This, in turn, dovetails with many of Donovan’s core philosophical precepts — that human equality is an illusion, violence (specifically male violence) is universal, and moral accountability should be limited to the members of one’s own tribe.

Donovan advocates “androphilia,” by which he means love or sex between masculine men. He doesn’t call himself gay, rejects gay culture as effeminate, and justifies homophobia as a defense of masculinity rooted in the male gang’s collective survival needs. This might sound like self-hatred, but Donovan isn’t hiding or apologizing for his own sexuality; he’s defining it in a way that’s radically at odds with prevailing LGBT politics. His version of homosexuality is a consummation of the priority that men in his ideal gang place on each other. As he has commented, “When you get right down to it, when it comes to sex, homos are just men without women getting in the way.”

In Donovan’s worldview, patriarchy is the natural state of human affairs, rooted in that primeval survival scenario where women are a prize that male gangs fight over. And seen through his eyes, patriarchy doesn’t look so bad. Since Donovan is fundamentally uninterested in women’s experience, he repeats lots of “common sense” male ideas without question. For example: “A rapist is something that no right-minded man wants to be,” so the whole idea of rape culture is a feminist lie, “a tool to silence criticism of women and exert control over men’s sexual behavior and conceptions of their own masculinity.” Similarly, “men have always had to demonstrate to the group that they could carry their own weight”

(Way, p. 46), while it's supposedly much more common and accepted for women to be supported by others. Never mind that women actually work longer hours than men and do the bulk of unpaid domestic labor, enabling men in all regions of the world to do less work.

The complete version of this article goes into further detail of Donovan's stances, including white nationalism, connections with the Men's Rights Activism movement, and appeals to a new generation of right-wingers. To see the unabridged essay, go to:

threewayfight.blogspot.com

/2015/11/jack-donovan-on-men-masculine-tribalism.html

IT'S NOT A DEBATE, IT'S A WAR!

via Nina Power

Whenever white supremacy is challenged with force – a kind of force microscopic in comparison to the millenia of death and trauma inflicted by capitalism, racism, and other forms of domination – there are people who claim that violence is never permissible, and that positive social change can only ever happen via rational debate and persuasion. Toward those people, Nina Power's essay presents an absolute refusal.

If only there had been a proper revolution in this country, where the aristos and landowners had been dispatched and dispossessed once and for all. Despite the best efforts of our utopian political ancestors, we are stuck with exactly same bastards who made everyone's lives a misery hundreds of years ago. They have the same names, own even more of the land, go to the same schools and universities and believe they have a God-given right to govern, pilfer and demonise everyone else. Their traditions are as nauseating as they are cruel: bloodsports, class war, incarcerating the poor, not to mention polo, finishing schools, up-turned collars and smashing up restaurants for fun.

One thing the ruling class loves above all else is 'debate'. Although the rule of law came about as a consequence of the bourgeoisie getting sick of being thrown in jail by whimsical aristos, today's elites, all of them, know that the law is always on their side, regardless of whether they are really old school feudal elites or only posh since the last 300 years. Debate is class war, as determined by them. 'Debate' is what future arms dealers are taught to engage in, how future prime ministers are taught to eradicate all residual human feeling, how judges are able to sleep at night and how the powerful are able to pretend that the normal running of things is in any way 'fair'.

When the 2011 Eton entrance exam asks 13-year-old boys to hypothesise being Prime Minister and to defend the shooting dead of protesters, we catch a glimpse of this taught moral flexibility:

The year is 2040. There have been riots in the streets of London after Britain has run out of petrol because of an oil crisis in the Middle East.

Protesters have attacked public buildings. Several policemen have died. Consequently, the Government has deployed the Army to curb the protests. After two days the protests have stopped but 25 protesters have been killed by the Army.

You are the Prime Minister. Write the script for a speech to be broadcast to the nation in which you explain why employing the Army against violent protesters was the only option available to you and one which was both necessary and moral.

But unfortunately for everyone else, this kind of imaginative exercise doesn't remain hypothetical for very long. These people move from volatile scenario on page to violent action in real life without ever encountering people who might have reason to protest, protected as they are by gated communities, boarding schools, poorly-treated nannies, private education, money to burn, member's clubs and, above all, money, assets and private property.

Being trained to argue anything so long as it preserves the existing order is the definition of law as practiced by the state. The moral flexibility that private schools and debating societies teach is the rhetorical lubricant that ensures that the ruling class will always win. No one else will ever win 'the debate' because the entire purpose of debate is to prevent anything truly disruptive from happening, all the while masking real violence from being seen. While Britain brutally colonised half the globe, its posh young men were learning to equivocate over glasses of sherry.

Just as the police are trained to regard members of the public as dangerous, incomprehensible beings best handled at the end of a baton, so the people who give them orders are trained to eliminate all normal human feeling. The notorious hierarchy and cruelty of British boarding schools is no coincidence: how else to treat the rest of the world as inferior without having internalised a hard, intractable kernel of inhumanity inside your soft young self? Debate is merely one disciplining technique among many, but it's a technique that runs all the way up from school to court to parliament.

If anyone deviates from the 'rules', that is to say sees the debate-form for the sham it is, or takes to the streets, displacing the imposed 'platform' for the construction of a new order, then the true face of all those who defend 'debate'

is revealed: suddenly those who are most powerful pretend that they are under siege by those who are 'unreasonable' – we see this lately at universities where those with bigoted views pretend that they are forced to pull out because of the menace of protest, to cities when politicians responding to the riots fall over themselves not to understand why people might resent being killed and harassed by police officers who never suffer any consequences.

Debate is a cover-story: never having to be honest about your true intentions while pretending to be open-minded. Debate dissociates argument from passion; phony talking-points from real life. There are multiple things we do not agree about – and we also disagree with the way in which you want us to say it. The narrowness of the debate-form allows those with power to dictate the boundaries of 'reasonable' discussion and ignore (or police) everything that happens outside it. But really, from Oxbridge to courts to government, we can easily see *it's not a debate, it's a war*.



South Side Chicago Anti-Racist Action is a member of the Torch Network, a nationwide effort to confront organized racist activity.

Torch Network Points of Unity:

1. We disrupt fascist and far right organizing and activity.
2. We don't rely on the cops or courts to do our work for us. This doesn't mean we never go to court, but the cops uphold white supremacy and the status quo. They attack us and everyone who resists oppression. We must rely on ourselves to protect ourselves and stop the fascists.
3. We oppose all forms of oppression and exploitation. We intend to do the hard work necessary to build a broad, strong movement of oppressed people centered on the working class against racism, sexism, nativism, anti-Semitism, Islamophobia, homophobia, transphobia, and discrimination against the disabled, the oldest, the youngest, and the most oppressed people. We support abortion rights and reproductive freedom. We want a classless, free society. We intend to win!
4. We hold ourselves accountable personally and collectively to live up to our ideals and values.
5. We not only support each other within the network, but we also support people outside the network who we believe have similar aims or principles. An attack against one is an attack against all.

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